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DETAILED ACTION

Reasons for Allowance

1. Claims 1-23 are allowed.

2. Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance:

Applicant(s) invention relates to a localized power supply system, and more specifically, to a power supply for telecommunication equipment.

The system has three power supply sources – a turbogenerator with a rectifier, a capacitor and a proton exchange membrane. The system utilizes natural gas from a utility line or tank, available or stored on the site, for production of an electrical power. Provided controls select appropriate power source depending on system conditions and/or availability.

There are inventions in the field that provide similar functionality and/or have similar features, as prior art of record shows. Applicant(s) invention differs from the prior art of record by the combination of the backup power generating sources, as disclosed and claimed, and which examiner's search failed to find.

It appears that present invention is an improvement over applicant(s)' earlier inventions of the record.

3. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the Issue Fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably

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accompany the Issue Fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

- 4. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant(s) disclosure.
- 5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Nicholas Ponomarenko whose telephone number is (571) 272- 2033, Fax: (571) 273-2033, or to his SPE Darren Schuberg (571) 272-2044.
- 6. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Technology Center 2800 Customer Service Phone: (571) 272-2815

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